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**Excerpts from**

**TITLE 9. HEALTH SERVICES**

**CHAPTER 6. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**  
**COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND INFESTATIONS**

**Supp. 04-3**

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL**

Section

R9-6-101. Definitions

8. "Case" means an individual:
- a. With a clinical syndrome of a communicable disease whose condition is documented:
    - i. By laboratory results that support the presence of the agent that causes the disease;
    - ii. By a health care provider's diagnosis based on clinical observation; or
    - iii. By epidemiologic associations with the communicable disease, the agent that causes the disease, or toxic products of the agent;
  - b. Who has experienced diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting as part of an outbreak;
  - c. Who has died without apparent cause within 48 hours after experiencing a fever; or
  - d. Who has experienced a vaccinia-related adverse event.
41. "Quarantine" means the restriction of activities of an individual or animal that has been exposed to a case or carrier of a communicable disease during the communicable period, to prevent transmission of the disease if infection occurs.

**ARTICLE 2. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE AND INFESTATION REPORTING**

*Article 2, consisting of Section R9-6-201 and R9-6-202, renumbered from Article 6, Sections R9-6-601 and R9-6-602 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).*

*Article 2, consisting of Sections R9-6-201 through R9-6-203, renumbered to Article 5, Sections R9-6-501 through R9-6-503 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).*

Section

**R9-6-202. Reporting Requirements for a Health Care Provider or an Administrator of a Health Care Institution or Correctional Facility**

- A. A health care provider who diagnoses, treats, or detects a case or suspect case of a communicable disease listed in Table 1 or detects an occurrence listed in Table 1 shall, either personally or through a representative, submit a report to the local health agency within the time limitation in Table 1 and as specified in subsection (C), (D), or (E).
- C. Except as described in subsections (D) and (E), for each case, suspect case, or occurrence for which a report is required by subsection (A) or (B) and Table 1, a health care provider or an administrator of a health care institution or correctional facility shall submit a report that includes:
- 1. The following information about the case or suspect case:
    - a. Name;
    - b. Residential and mailing addresses;
    - c. Whether the individual resides on or off an Indian reservation and, if on, the name of the reservation;
    - d. Telephone number;
    - e. Date of birth;

- f. Race and ethnicity;
- g. If Native American, tribal affiliation, if known;
- h. Gender;
- i. If known, whether the individual is pregnant;
- j. Occupation;
- k. If known, whether the individual is attending a school or a child care establishment and, if so, the name of the school or child care establishment; and
- l. For a case or suspect case who is a child requiring parental consent for treatment, the name, residential address, and telephone number of the child's parent or guardian, if known;
- 2. The following information about the disease:
  - a. The name of the disease;
  - b. The date of onset of symptoms;
  - c. The date of diagnosis;
  - d. The date of specimen collection;
  - e. Each type of specimen collected;
  - f. Each type of laboratory test completed;
  - g. The date of laboratory confirmation; and
  - h. A description of the laboratory test results, including quantitative values if available;

**Table 1. Reporting Requirements for a Health Care Provider or an Administrator of a Health Care Institution or Correctional Facility**

[Table 1 contains a column of reportable diseases within 24 hours by phone, with the following included: “**Rabies in a human**”]

### **ARTICLE 3. CONTROL MEASURES FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND INFESTATIONS**

*Article 3, consisting of Sections R9-6-302 through R9-6-307, R9-6-309 through R9-6-311, R9-6-313, R9-6-315 through R9-6-317, R9-6-319 through R9-6-325, R9-6-327, R9-6-328, R9-6-330 through R9-6-356, and R9-6-358 through R9-6-366, renumbered from Article 7, Sections R9-6-701 through R9-6-746 and R9-6-748 through R9-6-759 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).*

*Article 3, consisting of Section R9-6-311, repealed (Supp. 91-2).*

Section

#### **R9-6-356. Rabies in a Human**

- A. Case control measures: A local health agency shall conduct an epidemiologic investigation of each reported human rabies case or suspect case.
- B. Contact control measures: A local health agency shall evaluate the level of risk of transmission from each contact's exposure to a human rabies case and, if indicated, provide or arrange for each contact to receive prophylaxis.

#### **Historical Note**

Former Section R9-6-115, Paragraph (38), renumbered and amended as R9-6-750 effective January 28, 1987 (Supp. 87-1). Renumbered from R9-6-750 and amended effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Former Section R9-6-356 renumbered to R9-6-360; new Section R9-6-356 renumbered from R9-6-353 and amended effective April 4, 1997 (Supp. 97-2). Former R9-6-356 renumbered to R9-6-365; new R9-6-356 renumbered from R9-6-348 and amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 3559, effective October 2, 2004 (Supp. 04-3).

### **ARTICLE 5. RABIES CONTROL**

*Article 5, consisting of Sections R9-6-501 through R9-6-503, renumbered from Article 2, Sections R9-6-201 through R9-6-203 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).*

*Article 5, consisting of Sections R9-6-501 through R9-6-506 and Tables 1 and 2, renumbered to Article 7, Sections R9-6-701 through R9-6-706 and Tables 1 and 2 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).*

*Article 5, consisting of Sections R9-6-501 through R9-6-506 and Tables 1 and 2, adopted effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1).*

*Article 5, consisting of Sections R9-6-501 through R9-6-504, repealed effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1).*

Section

#### **R9-6-501. Definitions**

In this Article, unless otherwise specified:

- 1. "Animal control agency" means a board, commission, department, office, or other administrative unit of federal or state government or of a political subdivision of the state that has the responsibility for controlling rabies in animals in a particular geographic area.

2. "Approved rabies vaccine" means a rabies vaccine authorized for use in this state by the state veterinarian under A.A.C. R3-2-409.
3. "Cat" means an animal of the genus species *Felis domesticus*.
4. "Currently vaccinated" means that an animal was last immunized against rabies with an approved rabies vaccine:
  - a. At least 28 days and no longer than one year before being exposed, if the animal has only received an initial dose of approved rabies vaccine;
  - b. No longer than one year before being exposed, if the approved rabies vaccine is approved for annual use under A.A.C. R3-2-409; or
  - c. No longer than three years before being exposed, if the approved rabies vaccine is approved for triennial use under A.A.C. R3-2-409.
5. "Dog" means an animal of the genus species *Canis familiaris*.
6. "Euthanize" means to kill an animal painlessly.
7. "Exposed" means bitten by or having touched a rabid animal or an animal suspected of being rabid.
8. "Ferret" means an animal of the genus species *Mustela putorius*.
9. "Not currently vaccinated" means that an animal does not meet the definition of "currently vaccinated."
10. "Rabid" means infected with rabies virus, a rhabdovirus of the genus *Lyssavirus*.
11. "Suspect case" means an animal whose signs or symptoms indicate that the animal may be rabid.

#### **Historical Note**

Amended effective December 22, 1976 (Supp. 76-5). Correction, this Section shown as amended effective December 22, 1976 should read amended effective May 12, 1977 (Supp. 77-3). Corrections, subsections (A), (B) and (C) (Supp. 77-5). Amended effective April 10, 1980 (Supp. 80-2). Former Section R9-6-116 renumbered without change as R9-6-501 effective January 28, 1987 (Supp. 87-1). Section R9-6-501 repealed, new Section adopted effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1). Former Section R9-6-501 renumbered to R9-6-701, new Section R9-6-501 renumbered from R9-6-201 and amended effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Amended effective April 4, 1997 (Supp. 97-2). Former R9-6-501 renumbered to R9-6-502; new R9-6-501 renumbered from R9-6-105 and amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 3559, effective October 2, 2004 (Supp. 04-3).

#### **R9-6-502. Management of Exposed Animals**

- A. An animal control agency shall manage an exposed dog, cat, or ferret as follows:
  1. If the exposed dog, cat, or ferret is currently vaccinated, the animal control agency shall:
    - a. Revaccinate the animal with an approved rabies vaccine within seven days after the date that the animal is exposed; and
    - b. Confine and observe the animal in the owner's home or, at the owner's expense, in a veterinary hospital or the animal control agency's facility, as determined by the animal control agency, for 45 days after the animal is exposed; or
  2. If the exposed dog, cat, or ferret is not currently vaccinated, the animal control agency shall:
    - a. Euthanize the animal; or
    - b. At the owner's request, confine the animal for 180 days, at the owner's expense, in a veterinary hospital or the animal control agency's facility, as determined by the animal control agency, and vaccinate the animal with an approved rabies vaccine 28 days before it is released from confinement.
- B. An animal control agency that is aware of an exposed animal, other than a cat, dog, ferret, or livestock, shall:
  1. Make every effort to capture the exposed animal as soon as it is identified, and
  2. Euthanize the animal as soon as it is captured.
- C. An animal control agency shall release from confinement a dog, cat, or ferret exposed to a suspect case when the animal control agency receives a negative rabies report on the suspect case from the Department.
- D. Livestock shall be handled according to A.A.C. R3-2-408.

#### **Historical Note**

Amended effective December 22, 1976 (Supp. 76-5). Correction, this Section shown as amended effective December 22, 1976 should read amended effective May 12, 1977 (Supp. 77-3). Amended effective April 10, 1980 (Supp. 80-2). Amended as an emergency effective August 31, 1982 pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1003, valid for only 90 days (Supp. 82-4). Emergency expired. Former R9-6-117 amended as a permanent rule by adding a new subsection (C) and repealing the former subsections (C), (D) and (E) effective January 21, 1983 (Supp. 83-1). Former Section R9-6-117 renumbered without change as R9-6-502 effective January 28, 1987 (Supp. 87-1). Section R9-6-502 repealed, new Section adopted effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1). Former Section R9-6-502 renumbered to R9-6-702, new Section R9-6-502 renumbered from R9-6-202 and amended effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Former R9-6-502 renumbered to R9-6-503; new R9-6-502 renumbered from R9-6-501 and amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 3559, effective October 2, 2004 (Supp. 04-3).

#### **R9-6-503. Suspect Cases**

- A. An animal control agency shall ensure confinement of a dog, cat, or ferret that is a suspect case until:
1. The animal dies,
  2. The animal is euthanized, or
  3. A veterinarian determines that the animal is not rabid.
- B. When an animal control agency euthanizes a suspect case, the animal control agency shall avoid damaging the brain, so that rabies testing can be performed.

#### **Historical Note**

Amended effective December 22, 1976 (Supp. 76-5). Correction, this Section shown as amended effective December 22, 1976 should read amended effective May 12, 1977 (Supp. 77-3). Amended effective April 10, 1980 (Supp. 80-2). Amended as an emergency effective August 31, 1982 pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1003, valid for only 90 days (Supp. 82-4). Emergency expired. Former R9-6-118 amended as a permanent rule by repealing subsection (C) and renumbering subsections (D) through (I) effective January 21, 1983 (Supp. 83-1). Former Section R9-6-118 renumbered without change as R9-6-503 effective January 28, 1987 (Supp. 87-1). Section R9-6-503 repealed, new Section adopted effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1). Former Section R9-6-503 renumbered to R9-6-703, new Section R9-6-503 renumbered from R9-6-203 and amended effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Former R9-6-503 renumbered to R9-6-504; new R9-6-503 renumbered from R9-6-502 and amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 3559, effective October 2, 2004 (Supp. 04-3).

#### **R9-6-504. Animal Control Agency Reporting Requirements**

By April 30 of each year, an animal control agency shall submit a report to the Department that contains the number of animal bites to humans reported as occurring in the animal control agency's jurisdiction during the preceding calendar year and a breakdown of the bites by:

1. Species of animal,
2. Age of victim, and
3. Month of occurrence.

#### **Historical Note**

Amended effective December 22, 1976 (Supp. 76-5). Correction, this Section shown as amended effective December 22, 1976 should read amended effective May 12, 1977 (Supp. 77-3). Amended effective April 10, 1980 (Supp. 80-2). Amended as an emergency effective August 31, 1982 pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1003, valid for only 90 days (Supp. 82-4). Emergency expired. Former R9-6-119 amended as a permanent rule by repealing subsections (A) and (B), renumbering and amending subsections (C) through (I) effective January 21, 1983 (Supp. 83-1). Former Section R9-6-119 renumbered without change as R9-6-504 effective January 28, 1987 (Supp. 87-1). Section R9-6-504 repealed, new Section adopted effective January 20, 1992 (Supp. 92-1). Former Section R9-6-504 renumbered to R9-6-704 effective October 19, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Section renumbered from R9-6-503 and amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 3559, effective October 2, 2004 (Supp. 04-3).

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### **TITLE 3. AGRICULTURE**

#### **CHAPTER 2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** **ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION**

#### **Supp. 04-2**

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*Article 1 consisting of Sections R3-9-101 through R3-9-103; Article 2 consisting of Sections R3-9-201 through R3-9-208; Article 3 consisting of Sections R3-9-301 and R3-9-302; Article 4 consisting of Sections R3-9-401 through R3-9-409; Article 5 consisting of Sections R3-9-501 through R3-9-504; Article 6 consisting of Sections R3-9-601 through R3-9-620; Article 7 consisting of Sections R3-9-701 and R3-9-702 adopted effective August 19, 1983.*

*Former Article 1 consisting of Sections R3-9-01 through R3-9-11; Article 2 consisting of Sections R3-9-16 through R3-9-26; Article 3 consisting of Sections R3-9-22 through R3-9-35; Article 4 consisting of Sections R3-9-46 through R3-9-48 repealed effective August 19, 1983.*

#### **ARTICLE 4. ANIMAL DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

*Article 4, consisting of Sections R3-2-401 through R3-2-409 renumbered from R3-9-401 through R3-9-409 (Supp. 91-4).*

##### **Excerpt of R3-2-402. Mandatory Disease Reporting by Veterinarians and Veterinary Laboratories**

"All veterinarians and laboratories performing diagnostic services on animals shall:

1. Notify the State Veterinarian at (602) 542-4293, within four hours of diagnosing or suspecting any Office of International Epizootics List A disease, Eighth Edition, 1999, which is incorporated by reference, does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, and is on file with the Department and the Office of the Secretary of State, chronic wasting disease, or the following List B diseases:" . . .  
"Rabies" [is listed among the List B diseases].

##### **R3-2-408. Disposition of Livestock Exposed to Rabies**

Livestock bitten by a known or suspected rabid animal shall be handled using the methods prescribed in the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians' Compendium of Animals Rabies Control, 1999, Part III, Section 5. This material is incorporated by reference, does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, and is on file with the Department and the Office of the Secretary of State.

##### **Historical Note**

Adopted effective August 19, 1983 (Supp. 83-4). Section R3-2-408 renumbered from Section R3-9-408 (Supp. 91-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 6 A.A.R. 25, effective December 8, 1999 (Supp. 99-4). December 8, 1999 effective date corrected to reflect what is on file in the Office of the Secretary of State; correct effective date is January 1, 2000 (Supp. 01-1).

##### **R3-2-409. Rabies Vaccines for Animals**

All animals in Arizona vaccinated against rabies shall be vaccinated as prescribed in the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians' Compendium of Animal Rabies Control, 1999, Part II. This material is incorporated by reference, does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, and is on file with the Department and the Office of the Secretary of State.

##### **Historical Note**

Adopted effective August 19, 1983 (Supp. 83-4). Amended effective October 16, 1986 (Supp. 86-5). Amended effective January 6, 1989 (Supp. 89-1). Section R3-2-409 renumbered from Section R3-9-409 (Supp. 91-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 6 A.A.R. 25, effective December 8, 1999 (Supp. 99-4). December 8, 1999 effective date corrected to reflect what is on file in the Office of the Secretary of State; correct effective date is January 1, 2000 (Supp. 01-1).

#### **ARTICLE 6. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING ADMISSION OF ANIMALS**

*Article 6, consisting of Sections R3-2-601 and R3-2-620, renumbered from R3-9-601 and R3-9-620 (Supp. 91-4).*

##### **R3-2-602. Importation Requirements**

- A. All animals and poultry transported or moved into the state of Arizona, unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Article, must be accompanied by:
1. An official health certificate from the state of origin or a permit number, or both; and
  2. The health documentation shall be attached to the waybill or in the possession of the driver of the vehicle or person in charge of the animals.
- B. When a single health certificate and permit number is issued for animals being moved in more than one vehicle, the driver of each vehicle shall retain the original or a certified copy of the health certificate and permit number.

##### **Historical Note**

Adopted effective August 19, 1983 (Supp. 83-4). Section R3-2-602 renumbered from Section R3-9-602 (Supp. 91-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 8 A.A.R. 4043, effective November 9, 2002 (Supp. 02-3).

##### **R3-2-616. Cats and Dogs**

A dog or cat shall be accompanied by a health certificate that documents the animal is currently vaccinated against rabies according to the requirements of the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians' Compendium of Animals Rabies Control, incorporated by reference in R3-2-408.

##### **Historical Note**

Adopted effective August 19, 1983 (Supp. 83-4). Section R3-2-616 renumbered from Section R3-9-616 (Supp. 91-4). Section repealed; new Section adopted by final rulemaking at 6 A.A.R. 25, effective December 8, 1999 (Supp. 99-4). December 8, 1999 effective date corrected to reflect what is on file in the Office of the Secretary of State; correct effective date is January 1, 2000 (Supp. 01-1).

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